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AMEMBASSY ABU DHABI

AMEMBASSY BEIRUT

AMEMBASSY JIDDA

AMEMBASSY MANAMA

AMEMBASSY MUSCAT

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TAGS: EAID KU OTRA (TOBLER, JOHN H.)

SUBJ: TRAVEL OF JOHN TOBLER REGARDING REIMBURSABLE TECHNICAL
ASSISTANCE

REF: STATE 53364; ABU DHABI 403 (NOTAL)

1. DEPT. AND EMBASSIES BEIRUT AND JIDDA REQUESTED INFORM TOBLER
WE WELCOME HIS VISITING KUWAIT. SINGLE RESERVED AT HILTON
WHICH ACROSS STREET FROM EMBASSY. ECONOFF WILL MEET AND HOST
DINNER FOR HIM APRIL 12, AT WHICH TOBLER WILL BE ABEL MEET
SELECTED GOK AND COMPANY REPS. IESC REGIONAL REP SHAFFER

ALSO SCHEDULED BE IN KUWAIT DURING TOBLER VISIT AND TWO MAY
WISH COMPARE NOTES ON REIMBURSABLE TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE
POSSIBILITIES IN KUWAIT WHERE INDUSTRIAL AND FINANCIAL SECTORS
SEEM TO US TO HAVE MOST PROMISE.

2. AS STATED IN OUR 1775 LAST YEAR, WE FEEL THAT TOBLER VISIT WILL
BE MOST HELPFUL, PARTICULARLY IN APPRAISING US CURRENT WASHINGTON
THINKING. OUR VIEWS REGARDING APPLICABILITY REIMBURSABLE TECHNICAL
ASSISTANCE IN LOWER GULF CONTAINED IN KUWAIT'S A-162 OF NOVEMBER
15, 1972.

3. UNFORTUNATELY REGIONAL ECONOMIC OFFICER WHO MOST FAMILIAR WITH
LOWER GULF SITUATION AND WHO HAS BEEN FOLLOWING THIS SUBJECT FOR
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NEARLY TWO YEARS WILL BE ABSENT FROM EMBASSY FROM APRIL 9-16.
WE HAD HOPED TOBLER WOULD HAVE BEEN ABLE REVISE SCHEDULE SO THAT

HE COULD HAVE DISCUSSED REIMBURSABLE TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE WITH
REO, PARTICULARLY SINCE VISIT TO ABU DHABI NOW SEEMS UNLIKELY.
MOREOVER, WE BELIEVE GOOD OPPORTUNITIES FOR REIMBURSABLE TECHNICAL
ASSISTANCE EXIST IN OMAN AND QATAR WHICH HAVE CASH AVAILABLE
FOR HELP ON SELECTIVE BASIS. WHILE AMBASSADOR AND EMBOFFS
PREPARED DISCUSS SUBJECT WITH TOBLER, HE MAY WISH CONSIDER
GOING TO BAHRAIN FROM SAUDI ARABIA AND THEN TO KUWAIT SO THAT
HE COULD EXPLORE POSSIBILITIES IN LOWER GULF WITH REO. PLEASE
ADVISE ASAP.
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